

RECORD OWN DEFENSE SAYS GOVERNOR

Defends Public Utilities and Tax Commission with Facts and Figures.

"If my first administration does not speak for itself, I have labored in vain."

Thus Frank O. Lowden, governor of Illinois, to the 4,000 people who met at the excitement of the convalescent entertainments to hear his address at the Augustan college gymnasium last evening, answered the charges of inefficiency made by William Hale Thompson, mayor of Chicago. And alluding to the names of "crook" and "liar," called him by the leader of the city hall Tammany of Chicago, the governor's terse reply was:

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Lingering Lowdenisms

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"They know at the time that it was illegal and would not increase the revenue to the state. For it was exorbitant and was held illegal in the courts, but they fired that valuation as a pretext that they could say to the people, that I had reduced the taxes of the Pullman company."

"The charges of misleading by the newly appointed board was made, but when a committee of members of the house and the senate was appointed to investigate these charges and the men were put under oath to testify to their charges, they refused to do so."

Saved Wife \$3,000.

"That valuation granted by the tax commission on the Pullman company property saved by wife and children, for I have no interests in that company, about \$3,000."

"When we moved to Springfield we were told of the desecration of the governor's mansion which was over 50 years old. The frame was out of repair, the plumbing in horrible shape, and the heating system out of commission. On the first Sunday we were in Springfield it was so cold in the house I had to do my work huddled in my bed. But in accordance with my policy of keeping appropriations down, I could not have it repaired properly. Finally Mrs. Lowden asked me whether it would be all right for her to have those repairs made, bearing the expense from her private income. I told her yes if she wished to do so. And so she spent \$25,000 personally to repair the state mansion. And yet the Thompson faction say that I created the tax commission in order to save her \$3,000."

Lowered Taxes 33 Per Cent.

"I realized the fairness of an excise tax on corporations and such a law was passed. The taxes paid by the corporations in all time previous to my administration amounted to only \$1,208,000. During this year up to Aug. 15, there has been paid into the state treasury in cash \$5,595,000 by the corporations."

"This law has meant that the tax last year was 40 cents on each \$100 valuation, or about one-third less than two years ago. If this tax legislation had not been passed, the tax rate would have been 52 1/2 cents on each \$100 valuation or about 25 per cent saving on their state taxes was made for people."

Was On Job.

"I have been able to do this because I was at my desk at Springfield on the job and not exploiting the corporations and making a spectacular play to the people. There is nothing so easy in the world to play the demagogue with as the corporations. And while the city of Chicago has set aside \$1,000,000 with which to fight the corporations, the net result has been nothing accomplished."

"In closing," said the governor, "I would like to answer the ques-

Almost a Shadow, Afraid to Eat.

"My son-in-law was so bad from stomach trouble that he was reduced to almost a shadow and was afraid to eat anything, as all food caused bloating of gas which pressed against his heart, worrying him very much. Our druggist persuaded him to try Mayr's Wonderful Remedy and in two months he looked fine, can eat anything and works hard every day." It is a simple, harmless preparation that removes the catarrhal mucus from the intestinal tract and allays the inflammation which causes practically all stomach, liver and intestinal ailments, including appendicitis. One dose will convince or money refunded. Bengst's drug store, Davenport, Rock Island, Moline, and druggists everywhere.—(Adv.)

Tax Commission Up.

"I want to say just a few words in regard to the taxes. I will keep my own time," said the governor as he laid his watch on the table. "For I shall not keep you long. But the Thompson faction has said that I lowered the taxes on the Pullman company. The tax commission did cut off the illegal taxes of that corporation."

"When the board of equalization knew that they were to be supplanted by the tax board through an act of the general assembly during my administration, in order to save

JOINT WILL OF MAN AND WIDOW IS IN PROBATE

Helen Larsen Survives Lars and Comes Into Full Possession of Estate.

The joint will of Lars and Helen Larsen of Moline was admitted to probate in the court of Judge F. J. Landee yesterday afternoon. Under the terms of the instruments, dated Sept. 2, 1907, the property held by both was to revert to the survivor. Therefore, Helen Larsen, the widow, as survivor, inherits all property, both personal and real. Upon her death, the property will be divided equally between John and Anton Larsen, sons, and Antoinette Terkelson, an adopted daughter.

Hilda W. Johnson, widow of August Johnson, 537 Fortieth street, Rock Island, is the sole beneficiary of the estate of the latter under the terms of the will as admitted to probate. After her death the property will revert to the children of the couple. The widow is named as executrix.

**THIRD PARTY MAN
IN NEW OFFER TO
COX AND HARDING**

Chicago, Sept. 3.—Parley P. Christensen, Farmer-Labor candidate for president, today sent a telegram to Senator Warren G. Harding, Republican presidential candidate, and Governor James M. Cox, Democratic nominee, suggesting the two newspaper proprietors grant "one column of space each day until Nov. 2, for the publication of such facts, views and statements as the national committee of each party furnishes to your newspaper."

"If you will do this you will have done more for the development of

American political, social and economic intelligence, in my opinion, than any one thing you could or can do during four years in the White house," Mr. Christensen added.

In a telegram to the candidates Christensen quoted them on their utterances regarding free speech and free press and then added:

"In this age when the daily newspaper is virtually the only channel for the dissemination of fact and party furnishes to your newspaper."



Here's a new Fall Shoe that will make the young fellows sit up and take notice.

Rich shade of mahogany calfskin, built on snappy narrow toe last.

Looks like a million dollars on your foot.

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Now is the time to lay in your supply for the winter. In order to raise money we are offering these goods at cost. We have a full line of staple and fresh groceries. We haven't enough help to display all of our goods but call and we will give you real bargains in anything you may need.

Extra fancy Yellow Free Peaches, per bushel..... \$4.45

Extra fancy early Ohio Potatoes, per peck..... 53c

49 lb. sack Goldrim or Gold Medal Flour, 3.89

Old wheat..... 3.89

Per barrel (4 sacks) \$14.95

24 1/2 lb. sack N. J. C. flour, per sack \$1.85

5 lb. sack..... 45c

MILK SPECIALS

Tall Enzo compound, same as Hebe, 35c

3 cans..... 35c

Per case (48 cans) \$5.50

Tall Hebe or Caroline compound, 12 1/2c

can..... 12 1/2c

Per case (48 cans) \$5.85

Small Hebe compound, 25c

4 cans..... 25c

Per case (8 dozen) \$5.80

Tall Danish Pride, N. J. C. or Armour's Evaporated Milk, per can..... 14 1/2c

Per case (4 dozen) \$6.85

Tall Pet, Libby's, Carnation or Van Camp Evaporated Milk, six cans..... 98c

Per case (4 dozen) \$7.25

Small Armour's or Danish Pride Milk, 12 cans..... 85c

Per case (8 dozen) \$6.75

Small Pet or Libby's Evaporated Milk, dozen cans..... 95c

Per case (6 dozen) \$5.45

Corn Flakes, any brand, 2 pkgs., 25c

Puffed Wheat, 13 1/2c

per pkg..... 13 1/2c

Shredded Wheat, 16 1/2c

Pork and Beans in tomato sauce, large cans..... 10c

Campbell Pork & Beans, or Soups, 2 cans..... 25c

Blue Ribbon Peaches, 23c

per pkg..... 23c

Dry Apricots, 37c

per lb..... 37c

Nice size Fresh Prunes, per lb..... 17 1/2c

Fancy Blue Rose Rice, 3 lbs..... 50c

California Lima Beans, 3 lbs..... 50c

Fancy Navy Beans, 29c

3 lbs..... 29c

Camel Cigarettes, \$1.70

carton..... \$1.70

TEA & COFFEE SPECIALS

Yuban Coffee, 50c

per lb..... 50c

Everyday Coffee, 39c

per lb..... 39c

N. J. C. or Lincoln Coffee, 43c

per lb..... 43c

XXXXX McDonald Coffee, 27 1/2c

per lb..... 27 1/2c

Extra fancy Peaberry Coffee, 39c

per lb..... 39c

(While it lasts)

Fine grade Santos Coffee, (regular 55c) 39c

per lb..... 39c

Good Coffee, regular 40c, 3 lbs..... 95c

Tea is going higher. Buy now. Extra fancy Unbleached Japan Tea, 59c

per lb..... 59c

Extra fine Gunpowder Tea, per lb..... 59c

SOAP SPECIALS

P. & G., Fels Naptha, Peoria or Amber Soap, 10 bars..... 79c

Per box 100 bars, \$7.75

Lenox or Gloss Soap, 10 bars..... 45c

Queen White, Sweet Napha Soap, large bars (as good as P. & G.) 75c

10 bars..... 75c

Crystal White, Kirk's Flake White or Sunny Monday Soap, 10 bars..... 73c

Per box 100 bars, \$6.95

Crisco, 29c

per lb..... 29c

Tall Pink Salmon, 20c

per can..... 20c

Per dozen cans \$2.35

Small Pink Salmon, 14 1/2c

per can..... 14 1/2c

Per dozen cans \$1.65

Pine Burr Salmon, 45c

No. 1 cans..... 45c

Per dozen cans \$4.95

Pine Burr Salmon, 28c

1/2 lb. cans..... 28c

Per dozen cans \$3.25

Large cans Mustard Sardines, (20c value) 14c

Oil Sardines (small) 25c

cans 3 cans..... 25c

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT.

State of Illinois, Rock Island County, ss: August 30, 1920.

Lillian B. Butler vs. Roy Butler, in Chancery.

Adviser of non-residence of Roy Butler, the above defendant having been filed in the Clerk's office of the Circuit Court of said County, notice is therefore

hereby given to the said non-resident defendant, that the complainant filed her bill of complaint in said Court, on the 20th day of August, 1920, and that she thereupon a

Summons issued out of said Court, wherein said suit is now pending returnable on the

Third Monday in the month of September next, as is by law required. Now, unless you, the said non-resident defendant, above named, Roy Butler, personally be

and appear before said Circuit Court on the first day of the next term thereof to be held at Rock Island, Illinois, on the 27th day of September next, and answer the bill of complaint the same and the mat-

ters and things therein charged and stated will be taken as confessed, and a decree entered against you according to the prayer of said bill.

GEORGE W. GAMBLE, Clerk.

Rock Island, Illinois, August 30, 1920.

JOHN O. ALLEN, Compt. of Sol.

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